

BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF UTAH

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE	:	
DECISION TO APPROVE A LARGE		NOTICE OF TENTATIVE
MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN	:	DECISION TO APPROVE
FOR DESERET GENERATION AND		
TRANSMISSION'S, DIAMOND MOUNTAIN :		No. M/047/066
MINE, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH		

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION,
MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS
INTERESTED IN SECTIONS 15, 16, 21 AND 22, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 22 EAST,
SLBM, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve the Large Mining Operations Notice of Intention for Deseret Generation and Transmission's Diamond Mountain Resources Mine. Mining activities will affect the following area: SW1/4 Section 15, SE1/4 Section 16, NE1/4 Section 21, and NW1/4 Section 22, Township 1 South, Range 22 East, SLBM, Uintah County, Utah.

Deseret Generation and Transmission has submitted a permit application to expand an existing exploration project to a large mining operation. The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 47.3 acres of federal land.

During Operations:

After stockpiling topsoil, the limestone will be shot in 35-foot lifts with resulting benches being 25 feet wide. The mined material will be hauled from the pit then crushed and screened. The operator anticipates mining about 30,000 to 75,000 cubic yards of ore with 5000 to 15,000 cubic yards of waste annually. The product will be delivered to the Bonanza Power Plant for emissions control, and waste rock will be used in road construction, lime chips, and in reclamation regrading. The operation will be limited to 9.64 acres of active disturbance with additional areas being in various stages of reclamation. Nearly all runoff from the mine will be contained within a sedimentation pond. There will be restrictions on mining during certain times of the year to avoid conflict with recreationists.

After Operations:

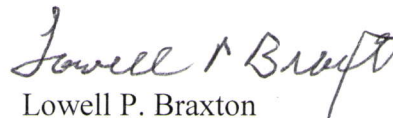
All permitted surface facilities will be reclaimed. Slopes will be regraded to not exceed 3h:1v using waste as backfill material. Highwalls will be drilled and blasted to reduce the overall slope to 3h:1v. A minimum of 12 inches of subsoil and 6 inches of topsoil will be placed on the graded areas, and these areas will then be ripped 18 to 24 inches deep. An 18-acre borrow area will be used to obtain some of the soil needed for reclamation. The surface will be left rough then broadcast seeded with a mixture of 13 native species.

The person representing the company is Mr. Jerry Hascall; Phone (435) 781-5702, Vernal, Utah. Deseret Generation and Transmission is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED THIS 14th day of February, 2003

STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING


Lowell P. Braxton
Director

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Tentative Decision to Approve the Large Mining Notice of Intention for Deseret Generation and Transmission's Diamond Mountain Resources Mine project, M/047/066 to be sent via facsimile, electronic mail, or mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, the 14th day of February, 2003 to:

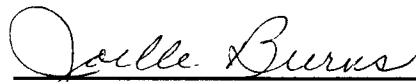
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